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Police News

A 16-year-old boy was arrested at 12:14 a.m. Thursday, charged with burglary, auto theft and no valid driver's license.

The arrest was made after an officer saw a vehicle flashing its headlights. The officer stopped the vehicle to see if assistance was needed and found the boy.

The owner of the 1984 Ford said the car was taken without his permission.

The boy was released to his parents on a notice to appear.

Avery A. Haas, 22, of 17780E 3200N Road, Rossville, was arrested at 9:38 a.m. Thursday on a traffic warrant. He was released on $300 cash bond.

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:40 p.m. Thursday to a shed fire at 207 N. Third St.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:50 p.m. Thursday.

Layton G. Seggebruch, 518 S. Market, was responding to the fire call in his 1979 Chevrolet when Elvin Lee Longfellow, 723 Scott Dr., pulled in front of him. The accident occurred at Fourth Ave. and West Main.

One woman received minor injuries in a three-car accident at 4:42 p.m. Thursday.

Carolyn Eyrich-Mastin complained of neck pain after her 1991 Plymouth was struck by a 1990 Pontiac driven by Marcellino M. Bravo, 16, #43 Parkview Court.

Bravo also struck a 1991 Chevrolet driven by John R. Reed, route 3, Hoopeston. According to police reports, Bravo was eastbound on Rt. 9, tried to stop for traffic waiting for a train, and, because of the weather, slid into the vehicles. He was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

Obituaries

LACY - Maxwell Lee Lacy, 72, of rural Hoopeston, died at 8:47 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1995 at home. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or a charity of the donor's choice. Brown-Alkire Funeral Home was in charge of arrangments.

STORM - Nelson A. "Jack" Storm, 71, of Rossville, died at 10:50 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1995, at The Carle Arbours, Savoy. Graveside funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rossville Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Association. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Aug. 2, 1995

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Broken phone must be reason why lawyer doesn't call

The Second Cup

By LOURDINE FLOREK

I must be having phone trouble again.

I say this because I know I'm not getting all my calls.

Take last week and this week. I must have called attorney Dick Doyle 12 times. And not once did I get a call back.

I knew he was within range of a phone since it seems he never goes anywhere without his cellular model. And I was pretty sure his staff was good about making sure he got his messages.

I couldn't figure out why he didn't call me.

I sat by the phone, expectant as a teenager, waiting for him to call. And he didn't. And he didn't. And he didn't.

At first, I got paranoid (although just because you're paranoid doesn't mean someone's NOT following you, but that's another column).

What, I asked myself, had I done to make him not want to return my calls?

Perhaps he didn't call because I dared to question the actions of some C.A.R.E. leaders.

Was it the column that compared a C.A.R.E. meeting to a tent revival where people are whipped into a frenzy of emotion? Did that make him mad?

Was it that I questioned where C.A.R.E.'s money went?

No, I finally decided, he's a powerful attorney. He can't be that petty.

Was it that he didn't want to answer tough questions, like why he thinks rural Hoopeston residents should want garbage trucks rumbling by their homes when he doesn't want them going by the hospital/nursing home?

No, I decided, he's too good at smooth answers to duck little ol' me because of that.

I thought perhaps he was too busy, but then I noticed he talked to other publications. Why, one even had his picture with the story. That told me that he'd had a few spare moments and that he was near a working phone.

No, I decided, the problem could not have been with Mr. Doyle or his employees (who, I'm sure, got pretty tired of hearing "Hi, this is Lourdine AGAIN.")

The problem had to be with my phone.

And that really ticks me off. I mean, here's a big story and for some strange reason, my phone won't work when one of the major players tries to call.

And it's funny how selective the phone can be. It worked fine when Mayor Bob Ault called me back. I didn't have any trouble with calls from Jim Van Weelden or the Pollution Control Board, either.

It was just those incoming calls from Dick Doyle that didn't want to come through.

Darn phone.

I'm going to have to see about getting it fixed.

Storm causes some damage

Thursday's minutes-long storm dumped .78 inches of rain on Hoopeston, said weather recorder John Mushrush.

That amount, coupled with a half inch that Wednesday, provided relief for crops.

Thursday's storm also brought damage. City workers removed tree limbs blocking city streets and a telephone line was also reported down because of winds.

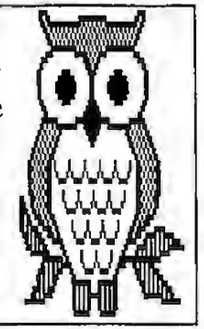
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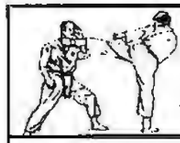
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